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## DEATH OF JACOB TODHUNTER

Aged and Respected Citizen Past Away Last Saturday.

## RESULT OF A FALL

Was the Oldest Alumnus of the School for Deaf at Danville, Kentucky—A True Southern Gentleman.

Jacob Todhunter, one of the oldest and most highly respected residents of Lexington, died Saturday at 10:30 a. m. at the suburban home of his brother, Capt. Ryland Todhunter, his death resulting from a stroke of paralysis brought on by an injury he received Tuesday night.

Jacob F. Todhunter was born at his father's country home "Oakland," in Jessamine county, Kentucky, about nine miles from Lexington, Ky., February 20, 1820. He was the eldest son of Parker and Catharine Todhunter, and was a member of a wealthy and prominent family of that state. In 1833 Mr. Todhunter entered the School for the Deaf at Danville, Ky., from which he was graduated several years later. Before his death he was the oldest living graduate of that institution. He also took a course of two years in the Robert Anderson school. Because of his affliction, Mr. Todhunter was never married but lived with his parents until 1876, when he paid a visit to his brother, Capt. Ryland Todhunter in this city, and, liking the country, decided to make this his home. Mr. Todhunter has always led an active out-door life and has always enjoyed unusually good health.

Jacob Todhunter was one of the truest types of gentlemen of the old school. His courtesy and politeness made him known everywhere and his kindness and good nature made friends for him by the hundreds. Mr. Todhunter bore his affliction with true Christian fortitude, and his disposition was always one of the brightest and cheeriest. His death will be mourned by many outside of his own immediate family, for "Uncle Jake" Todhunter was loved by all those who were familiar with his true nature. He is survived by but one brother, Capt. Todhunter, of this city.

The funeral was held Monday afternoon at 2:30 o'clock. The services were conducted by Rev. Briney of the Christian church, of which Mr. Todhunter was a lifelong member.

Rarely is a success recorded in the kaleidoscopic events of hetaical history so marked by one continual wave of triumph as Kathryn Osterman's offering, "The Night of the Play," a brilliant satire of the day by Augustin Daly, who adapted it from the German. The play abounds in deliciously clean-cut, whimsical fancies, cleverly blended with subtle touches of human nature absolutely marvelous and fascinating. In a manner so delectably drawn that the spectator is irresistibly brought into close relationship to the characters, rollicking in happy sport, good naturedly endeavoring to disentangle the fancifully drawn cobweb of mystery surrounding the scintillating, vivacious and mirth-provoking star. Miss Osterman is ably supported by a carefully selected cast of clever players and her gowns, as usual, are perfect revelations of the modiste's art. In the last act, Miss Osterman appears in a gorgeous cloth-of-gold Directoire, considered by all who have seen it to be the most beautiful and costly robe worn on the American stage today.

Miss Bertie Slusher visited in Kansas City Wednesday.

Oswald Winkler went to Kansas City Wednesday on business.

M. Ladeson returned Wednesday from business trip to St. Louis.

Mrs. R. A. Wilson returned Tuesday evening from a visit with relatives in Kansas City.

Ernest Graendorf left Wednesday for Los Angeles, California, to locate. His brother, Oscar, accompanied him as far as Kansas City.

Mrs. W. E. Comstock returned to Kansas City yesterday after a visit with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. W. H. Chiles.

## DOVER NOTES.

Jonette Bently had business in Lexington Wednesday.

Geo. Zeyzing had business in Kansas City last week.

W. W. Meng and Capt. E. W. Zeyzing were in Lexington Monday.

Ruford Gordon of Lexington spent several days last week here.

S. L. Pile of Geary, Okla., visited here several days last week.

Miss Fannie McFadin of Lexington is visiting this week with her sister, Mrs. Jack Cooper.

Mrs. Sam Vaughn and Addie Stark went to St. Louis Sunday morning for a week's visit there with relatives.

Mrs. Mary Barley is visiting with her sons, Messrs. Louis and Hunter Barley, near Corder.

Remember there will be services at the Christian Church Saturday morning and night by Rev. Abbott of Kansas City.

Mrs. D. C. Louck left Tuesday night by the way of St. Joseph for a visit with her daughter, Mrs. Walter Kinkle at Denver, Col.

Phillip Wahl had business in Corder Saturday.

Miss Purdue of Higginsville is nursing Mrs. Taylor Winn, who has been quite sick with erysipelas.

Ennis Darnell and Clem Waddell of Lexington moved this week to the Darnell farm and they will keep a bachelor's hall.

Mr. and Mrs. Stormer Sanders of Corder spent Sunday with Mrs. W. T. Stark.

Miss Pauline Sellers and Edgar Cox of Lexington were here Sunday.

Mrs. Will Neer was called to Pleasant Hill Monday by the serious illness of her father, Rev. Wm. Cook, and brother, Melvin Cook.

John Vaughan and daughter, Miss Lizzie, have been on the sick list this week.

Miss Mary Lee Cooper and Edmond Vaughn were in Lexington Sunday afternoon.

Lynn Gordon of Lexington had business here this week.

Mrs. Mary Hall and daughter, Miss Bessie, came home Sunday from an extended visit with relatives in Lawrence County.

Mr. and Mrs. David Slusher visited last week with their nephew Earl Kensler in Southwest Mo.

Allen Hickam and wife came down from Kansas City Saturday morning for a short visit with relatives here.

## Killed at Confederate Home.

J. R. McCormick, an inmate of the Confederate Home near Higginsville, died at 3 o'clock Monday morning as a result of a wound received in a fight Sunday evening with James Cummins, another old soldier. Mr. McCormick came from Jackson county.

Sheriff Peacock, Prosecuting Attorney Keith and Coroner Mann went to the home Monday.

At the investigation of the killing at the Confederate Home Monday Jim Cummins was completely exonerated. C. A. Keith, prosecuting attorney, conducted the examination.

It seems that J. R. McCormick, the man who was killed, had been the aggressor against Cummins all the time. For more than a year McCormick had insulted Cummins at every opportunity, claiming that Quantrell's men were not soldiers and therefore not entitled to the privileges of the home. Cummins, it is said, stood this obloquy with great forbearance. Sunday afternoon McCormick assaulted Cummins without provocation and in defending himself Cummins knocked McCormick down. Either the blow received from Cummins' fist or the impact of his head against the wall when he fell caused a ruptured blood vessel, from which McCormick died.

Capt. M. L. Belt telephoned yesterday from Odessa, where he is in the interest of the new electric railway, a letter from Mr. Vrooman, vice president of the Trust Company. Mr. Vrooman expects to have an engineer to go over the route commencing next Monday, and Mr. Vrooman will come in person a few days later on his return from New York, for which point he leaves St. Louis tomorrow. Capt. Belt reports the prospects of securing the necessary aid at Odessa as being very promising.

Miss Georgia Gilkeson visited in Aultville yesterday.

## CORDER ITEMS.

Mrs. Wm. Carlton returned from Kansas City Tuesday night after an extended visit with friends there.

D. G. Jackson transacted business in Higginsville Saturday.

Mrs. Earl Ham returned to Corder Monday evening, where she will visit with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Josh Haynes.

Mrs. Julius Frerking was shopping in Higginsville Tuesday.

Dr. Mead was in our city again this week.

Mrs. A. W. Willis of Higginsville visited with the family of E. S. Willis the latter part of last week and returned home Thursday.

Miss Nannie Brown, who is attending school here, spent Saturday and Sunday with her parents near Dover.

Wm. Wilson spent Saturday and Sunday in Kansas City.

Miss Jodie Hackley was unable to teach school Monday on account of illness. Miss Laura Heisler was substitute and Miss Lella Smith taught her room.

Misses Georgia and Mary Page of Higginsville were the guests of Corder friends several days this week.

Born, to the wife of S. P. Maycock, Thursday, March 18, a girl.

Mr. Emerson, who was formerly of this place and who has been in Kansas for some time in the past, arrived here one day this week.

Orlin Miller is working for the Western Union Telegraph company this week. He will take up permanent work in the near future.

Corder Reynolds was in Higginsville Monday evening.

Misses Florence and Irene Holcher of north of town visited their relatives in Odessa several days last week and returned home Sunday evening.

The following will take the teachers' examinations: Misses Rena Jackson, Verna Bishop, Bessie Osa and Lella Smith.

Master Charlie Corrin is sick this week.

Mrs. E. Bassett was shopping in Higginsville Monday.

Elba Cable of Blackburn was here on business this week.

Wm. Shreier and wife were in Higginsville this week.

Misses Olive Peeples and Lillie Cross are learning the millinery trade under Miss Edna Frerking.

A good sized crowd attended the show in Higginsville last Friday night and enjoyed the trip very much.

B. E. Hetter was in Higginsville Monday.

Miss Maisie Mead gave a house party at her beautiful home in the country last Saturday night in honor of Misses Winnie and Willie George of Slater. Refreshments consisting of ice cream and cake were served at eight o'clock which were relished by the guests very much. At a very late hour the party broke up, all enjoying the evening. The guests present were: Misses Mary Carlton, Lucille Reynolds, Mary Marquis, Nannie Corder, Ria and Mildred Saunders and Jodie Groves; Geo. Reynolds, Leo Wollenman, Leroy Bell, Alvin Kleinschmidt, Tom Bowman, Lyle Corder and Byron Saunders.

Mrs. Wm. Wilson entertained a few friends to six o'clock dinner Tuesday evening. A sumptuous dinner was served and the evening was spent very pleasantly. At a very late hour the guests departed, wishing the host the good luck of the season. Those present were: C. L. Wilson and wife, E. S. Willis and wife, C. A. Benton and wife and Ben Wilson.

A birthday surprise party was given at the lovely home of Mrs. C. A. Benton last Friday by Mrs. Laura Freeland. The guests arrived without being discovered by the hostess and a grand evening was spent. The guests present were: Messdames C. C. Slusher, Geo. Ham, J. S. Miller, Jas. Hudson and Mr. and Mrs. Wm. Wilson. The party adjourned at five o'clock. All report a fine time.

C. A. Keith spent Wednesday in Kansas City.

Miss Willa Curtis returned Tuesday evening from a short visit in Odessa.

Mrs. Richard Field left Wednesday for a visit of several weeks in St. Louis.

Oscar Westerman returned Wednesday from a week's visit in Wellington.

## BASE BALL AT WENTWORTH

An Unusually Good Season Is Looked For By the Academy Rooters.

## CATCHER IS NEEDED

Infield Looks Like the Best in Years—Hurley to Head Pitching Staff.

The base ball season of 1909 will be started at Wentworth Military academy today when the cadets will meet the Manual Training High school aggregation from Kansas City. This game will be in the nature of a warming up for both teams, for the weather has been such that they have had scant opportunity for practice.

The academy diamond has been changed so that the home plate is now about twenty five yards from the old Hicklin house and the pitcher will face due south. This gives a larger outfield than the old diamond had and a long fly over the left fielder's head will entitle the batter to as much as he can make out of it. Formerly it meant only two bases.

According to the critics Wentworth has the prospects for the best base ball team in its history. Six veterans are back and new material of good caliber is plentiful. Hurley, a star of former years and an all-around athlete of great ability will head the pitching staff. With his experience he should make a twirler considerably above ordinary prep school class. Hillix, who developed a good side-wheel during the latter part of last year, will be the second slab artist. Besides these there are several lesser lights who may be developed during the season.

The greatest problem to be solved is the finding of a catcher able to hold Hurley. Still, a town boy who has done remarkable work on light teams around Lexington, may prove good enough for this position. Conklin, the star center of the football team, is another possibility. Murry, half of a pair of twins from Bartlesville, Oklahoma, is another lad who gives promise as a receiver.

The following schedule has been announced for this season:

March 27, Manual Training H. S. of K. C. at Lexington.

April 1, Missouri Valley College at Marshall.

April 3, K. C. Central H. S. at Lexington.

April 10, Westport H. S. of K. C. at Lexington.

April 17, K. C. Kans. H. S. at Lexington.

April 24, Slater H. S. at Lexington.

April 26, Kemper Military School at Booneville.

April 27, Kemper Military School at Booneville.

April 28, Slater H. S. at Slater.

May 11, Warrensburg State Normal at Warrensburg.

May 15, K. C. Freshmen at Lawrence.

May 22, K. U. Freshmen at Lexington.

## Ladeson's To Be Enlarged.

M. Ladeson and Co. have rented the first floor of the Peak building, one door west of their present store and will occupy it in a short time. A space will be cut in the wall between the two rooms, making virtually one store out of them. In the west side Mr. Ladeson will put in a large line of shoes for men, women and children. Heretofore his business, particularly in the shoe line, has been cramped by lack of space and he has dealt almost exclusively in men's shoes.

The growing business of M. Ladeson and Co. demanded more room and the added facilities will afford adequate convenience for displaying of stock and waiting on customers.

## Lexington Boy Hurt.

Harry Pierce, until recently a resident of Lexington, was dangerously injured while working in a mine at Chilhowee, Mo., a few days ago according to a message received by the boy's father, Ben Pierce, here yesterday. Pierce was engaged in blasting when a charge exploded prematurely hurling a rock which crushed his chest. He was taken to Kansas City and placed in a hospital. His condition is dangerous.

## MAYVIEW NOTES.

Our orchardist says so far we are promised with a "Lady Bountiful" crop of fruit this year. We hope we shall not be disappointed.

Otto Nolte, our Postmaster, took out the mail on route No. 2 last Wednesday, so as to let Geo. Tyler, the carrier, attend the Roach sale.

T. M. Chinn says that he will be on the safe side of an apple crop this year, so far as damage from insects are concerned, that he has made arrangements with Mr. Monroe and Mr. Kincheloe to do their smoking in his orchard while the bloom is on. They are to use black hurley. He thinks this a dead shot.

Shedman Smith of Southwest City is the guest of Guy Greene, this week.

Mrs. Geo. H. Plattenburg visited with friends in Lexington last Friday and Saturday.

Lucius F. Weaver and wife came down from Independence last Friday to visit with their son, William. They also went out to see Uncle Dyer Sherwood, Mrs. Weaver's father.

S. M. Greene after wandering around in Pineville, Southwest City, through Kansas and part of Colorado, returned home safe and sound last Saturday.

J. C. Caffee, cashier, spent last Monday in Kansas City on business.

Henry Wenking went to Higginsville on business last Tuesday.

Bradley Sanders left for Texas last Sunday to assist the Western Union.

Joe Simpson spent last Sunday in Kansas City with relatives and friends.

Miss Irene Nelson came in from Liberty last week to see homefolks.

Mr. Altmanberger, Wm. Heidbrink and wife attended the funeral of Miss Knipmeyer in Higginsville last Sunday.

Irving Withers was here last Friday. It does not mean that he was here after law-breakers. This being his old home he slips in often to see how things are going.

Geo. Humphrey went sniping last Tuesday. He does not believe that night is a good time for sniping. He tried it once when he was a boy.

Rufus Ogden of Odessa was here last Tuesday to buy himself a cow.

James F. Smith, while the workmen were renovating and rebuilding the brick house that was damaged by the storm a short while back, on Norfleet farm, now owned by the Taubman estate, found a brick that had cut in it October 11, 1840, also an old issue of the Missouri Republican of 1808. We notice a report of General Sheridan of the operations of General Custer in pursuit of the Cheyenne and Arapahoe Indians in a fight where more than one hundred Indians were made good. Dead Indians are always good.

## "Days of Old Manton"

Those who heard "My Skating Rink Queen," the original song written by Miss Margaret Aull and Captain Ruebel, which was sung by Cadet Ford between acts at "A Military Mix-up" a few weeks ago, know the character of work produced by these two persons. The words and music in "Days of Old Manton" are much catchier and the music has a livelier ring. The audience that greets the benefit performance of Sterling Price Chapter U. D. C. tomorrow night at the opera house is sure to be delighted and surprised at the excellent quality of this production. The cast is all that could be desired and can be depended upon to uphold their part. If you have not made arrangements to see this "all home talent" entertainment, you should do so at once. Saturday, March 27. Seats on sale at Crenshaw & Young's. Admission 50 cents.

V. A. Kelley with his little daughter, Katharine, went to Kansas City yesterday to meet his wife's parents, Mr. and Mrs. V. B. Beam, of Santa Ana, N. M., who will accompany him home for a visit.

## Died in Missoula, Montana.

Mrs. Emma Elizabeth Hord died in Missoula, Montana, March 14. She was born in Old Town, Maryland Dec. 10, 1840. She was married to Edward Hord in 1860. Mrs. Hord is survived by four children—Harriette S., Will, Benson and Mrs. N. P. Wood of Stevensville. Mrs. Hord and family moved from Lafayette County to Missoula, Montana, in 1883, where she has since resided. A good woman has gone home.

## ONE MORE WEEK OF COUNTY CONTEST

The Second Piano will be Awarded Next Week.

## CONTESTANTS NOW EVEN

Miss Blanche Bardet of Wellington and Miss Ellen Martin of Higginsville Are Working Hard.

Next week will be the last of the INTELLIGENCER piano contest and Saturday, April 3, at 6 p. m. the ballot boxes will be finally closed. Immediately after supper the count will be begun and as soon as all the ballots have disposed of the result will be announced. As this contest promises to be unusually close, every precaution will be taken to make the count absolutely accurate. Three business men will act as judges and will have entire charge of the tabulating of the votes.

Last week Miss Martin lead by a margin of 12,500 votes, but Miss Bardet closed up the gap and is today a scant 500 in the lead. So the outcome of the contest depends altogether on the work of the coming week. Nothing more will be said of either candidate's standing from now until the end of the contest, so that there will be no incentive for either to hold back any votes until the last minute.

Next week the method of casting secret ballots, the same as employed in the city contest, will be used. Special envelopes and blanks may be had from either of the young ladies or from this office, the money placed therein and deposited in the ballot box in this office or the one in the Lexington Savings bank. No one will then be able to tell how the voting is running.

The free vote offer for today is 19,000 for each \$20 turned in and for next week 18,000 for each \$20.

D. T. Bogle was in Sweet Springs Thursday.

J. F. Forster was in Kansas City Thursday.

F. N. Adams was in Higginsville Wednesday.

R. B. Herrie spent Thursday in Wellington.

Chris Walk returned from Kansas City Wednesday evening.

John T. Major went to Sedalia Wednesday morning for a short stay.

Walter B. Waddell went to Kansas City Wednesday on business.

Mrs. George Wittenburg returned from Leavenworth Wednesday evening.

Hon. Alexander Graves left Wednesday evening for a business trip to San Antonio, Texas.

Mr. and Mrs. Philip Voigt went to Sedalia Wednesday to spend a few weeks with relatives.

Miss Fannie Sawyer returned Wednesday evening from a visit of several weeks in Independence.

Mrs. C. C. Sipe, who has been visiting relatives in Hiawatha, Kans., returned home Wednesday evening.

Mrs. Elmira Meng and daughter, Miss Lee, returned Wednesday from an extended trip to El Paso, Texas.

Mr. and Mrs. James Ardinger returned to Kansas City Wednesday evening after a visit with relatives here.

Arthur Foster went to Kansas City Thursday to see the Gotch-Raoul de Rouen wrestling match tonight in Convention hall.

## Letter List.

The following letters remain uncalled for at the Lexington Postoffice Saturday, March 27, 1909.

W. R. Baker, Mrs. Anna Brown, Miss Marjorie Carrh, Edward H. Collins, Eldrich Davis, Eugene Fortner, W. B. Ford, H. H. Green, Daisy Gordon, Chap Johnson, John F. Marten, Mrs. W. H. May, F. M. Meyer, J. S. Morris, Miss Carrie Pollock, Mrs. Robert B. Smith, F. C. Squires, Luther Sullivan, Charley Thorp, Chas. E. Walker, K. Widow.

When calling for these letters please say they were advertised.

DELIA CROWDER,  
Postmaster.